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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated September 13, 2002, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

In the Claims

Please add new claims 41 and 42, and amend claims 16-18, 21-24, 26-27, 29-30, 32-33, 35-36, and 38-39 as follows:

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16. (Amended) A method of determining blood pressure, for use with an apparatus that includes: (i) a limb orientation sensing unit, (ii) a blood pressure measurement mechanism, and (iii) a timing mechanism, wherein the timing mechanism is coupled to the blood pressure measurement mechanism and the limb orientation sensing unit; the method comprising the steps of:

(a) applying the blood pressure measurement mechanism and the limb orientation sensing unit to an individual's limb to detect ~~a presence of blood pressure in the limb, to detect at least one of an actual orientation and an actual position of the limb, and to~~